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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY WITH ELECTION OF SPECIES

In reply to the Office Action mailed on 3 May 2004 and containing a restriction requirement, further examination and reconsideration in view of the following election and remarks is hereby respectfully requested.

A complete listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.